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NICARAGUAN-RELATED PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE MANUAL

- 1. Most of you have seen the sensational media accounts of alleged Agency wrongdoing in connection with a Nicaraguan-related psychological warfare manual.
- 2. As President Reagan said during the debate on Sunday night, he has asked the President's Intelligence Oversight Board and the Agency's Inspector General to look into the matter. Both of these intensive efforts are underway in an effort to obtain all the facts and to develop a comprehensive understanding of what happened. The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, who are also looking into the problem, already have received classified status reports on the facts as we now know them.
- 3. Our historical experience in situations such as this is that early perceptions may be mistaken and that it is important to come to a judgment on the basis of complete information. The oversight committees have told us that they agree and are deferring judgment until they have received the results of the full investigation.
- 4. We are committed to finishing the inquiry as quickly as possible. We will let you know the results as soon as we can.

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